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## **VIA HAND DELIVERY**

Ms. Jocelyn Boyd Chief Clerk and Administrator The Public Service Commission Of South Carolina P.O. Drawer 11649 Columbia, SC 29211

RE: Amendment No. 4 to the Interconnection Agreement between Frontier Communications of the Carolinas, Inc. and T-Mobile South, LLC f/k/a Triton PCS Operating Company

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Enclosed is a hard copy of Amendment No.4 with revised and restated amendments to the Interconnection Agreement between the above referenced companies, which is being filed with your office for information and/or approval. If you have any questions concerning this matter please do not hesitate to contact me at (803) 250-9411.

Sincerely,

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cc: James M. McDaniel, Program Manager of Telecommunications - ORS

#### **AMENDMENT NO. 4**

#### TO THE

#### INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

#### BETWEEN

## FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS OF THE CAROLINAS, INC.

#### AND

# T-MOBILE SOUTH, LLC f/k/a Triton PCS Operating Company

This Amendment No. 4 (this "Amendment") shall be deemed effective on July 1, 2012 (the "Amendment Effective Date") by and between Frontier Communications of the Carolinas, Inc.formerly GTE South Inc ("Frontier"), a Delaware Corporation with offices at 180 S. Clinton Avenue, Rochester, NY, 14646, and T-Mobile South, LLC ("T-Mobile"), with offices at 12920 SE 38<sup>th</sup> Street, Bellevue, Washington 98006. Frontier and T-Mobile may be hereinafter referred to individually as a "Party" and collectively as the "Parties". This Amendment only covers the services addressed herein that Frontier provides in its operating territory in the legal entity of Frontier Communications of the Carolinas for the state of South Carolina. (the "State").

### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Frontier and T-Mobile are Parties to an interconnection agreement under Sections 251 and 252 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act") dated April 13, 1999 (the "Agreement"); and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises contained herein, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

1. <u>Amendment to Agreement</u>. The Agreement is amended to incorporate the terms and conditions set forth in this Amendment, all of which shall apply to and be a part of the Agreement (hereinafter referred to as the "Amended Agreement") notwithstanding any other term or condition of the Amended Agreement, a Frontier Tariff or a Frontier Statement of Generally Available Terms and Conditions ("SGAT").

#### 2. Miscellaneous Provisions

2.1 Conflict Between this Amendment and the Agreement. This Amendment shall be deemed to revise the terms and conditions of the Agreement to the extent necessary to give effect to the terms and conditions of this Amendment. In the event of a conflict between the terms and conditions of this Amendment and the terms and conditions of the Agreement, this Amendment shall govern; provided, however, that the fact that a term or condition appears in this Amendment but not in the Agreement, or in the Agreement but not in this Amendment, shall not be interpreted as, or deemed grounds for finding, a conflict for purposes of this Section 2.

- 2.2 <u>Capitalization</u>. Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein have the meanings set forth in the Amended Agreement.
- 2.3 <u>Counterparts.</u> This Amendment may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which when so executed and delivered shall be an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.
- 2.4 <u>Captions</u>. The Parties acknowledge that the captions in this Amendment have been inserted solely for convenience of reference and in no way define or limit the scope or substance of any term or condition of this Amendment.
- 2.5 Scope of Amendment. This Amendment shall amend, modify and revise the Agreement only to the extent set forth expressly in this Amendment and, except to the extent expressly set forth in this Amendment, the terms and conditions of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect after the Amendment Effective Date.
- 2.6 <u>Joint Work Product</u>. The Parties acknowledge that this Amendment is the joint work product of the Parties, that, for convenience, this Amendment has been drafted in final form by Frontier and that, accordingly, in the event of ambiguities in this Amendment, no inferences shall be drawn for or against either Party on the basis of authorship of this Amendment.
- 2.7 <u>Amendments</u>. No amendments or modifications shall be made to this Amendment unless in writing and signed by appropriate representatives of the Parties.
- 2.8 <u>Waivers.</u> A failure or delay of either Party to enforce any of the provisions of this Amendment, or any right or remedy available under this Amendment, or at law or in equity, or to require performance of any of the provisions of this Amendment, or to exercise any option that is provided under this Amendment, shall in no way be construed to be a waiver of such provisions, rights, remedies or options.
- 3. IntraMTA Traffic. Reciprocal compensation rates in this Agreement will be reduced or eliminated as provided in the USF/ICC Transformation Order FCC 11-161 (rel. November 18, 2011) and in FCC 11-189 Order on Reconsideration (rel. December 23, 2011) as such order may be stayed, revised, reconsidered, changed or modified. When any such stay, revision, reconsideration, change or modification is effective, such action will be automatically incorporated into this Agreement. For clarity, reciprocal compensation, effective July 1, 2012, will be zero subject to any future stay, revision, reconsideration, change or modification of the USF/ICC Transformation Order.

#### Notices

4.1 All notices required under the Agreement for Frontier shall be sent to the contacts listed below and includes, but is not limited to, notice for legal, regulatory, billing, tax related documents, and insurance related documents.

Frontier Communications
Attn: Director, Business Operations – Carrier Services
180 S. Clinton Ave
Rochester, NY, 14646

## With Copy to:

Frontier Communications Attn: Associate General Counsel 180 S. Clinton Ave Rochester, NY 14646

All notices required under the Agreement for T-Mobile shall be sent to the contacts listed below and includes, but is not limited to, notice for legal, regulatory, billing, tax related documents, and insurance related documents.

Director – Carrier Management 12920 SE 38<sup>th</sup> Street Bellevue, WA 98006

With Copy to: General Counsel 12920 SE 38<sup>th</sup> Street Bellevue, WA 98006

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Amendment to be executed as of the Amendment Effective Date.

T-Mobile South LLC	Frontier Communications of the Carolinas Inc		
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Printed: Bryan Fleming	Printed: Stephen Levan		
Title: VP Technical Systems and Business Operations	Title: SVP, Carrier Sales and Service		
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